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In response to the outstanding Official Action of August 26, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.